

State of California
Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT
9:00 a.m., March 27, 2003
North Coast Regional Water Board
Hearing Room
5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A
Santa Rosa, California

ITEM: 15

SUBJECT: City of Santa Rosa, Adoption of Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2003-0025,
Amending State Water Resources Control Board Cease and Desist Order
No. 2000-04, NPDES Permit No. CA0022764

DISCUSSION

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) amended Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. 2000-04 on March 15, 2000 (Attachment 1). The State Water Board took this action during a time when no Regional Water Board quorum existed. Provisions of the State Water Board Order modification by the Regional Water Board. CDO No. 2000-04 required the City of Santa Rosa to cease discharging wastes from its Laguna Subregional wastewater treatment plant in violation of Waste Discharge Orders 2000-02 and 2000-03 by December 31, 2002. This action followed a series of ten amended CDOs issued by the Regional Water Board, dating back to 1985.

The City of Santa Rosa is in the process of completing the Geysers Recharge Project in order to fulfill the requirements of CDO 2000-04. At present the project is well on its way towards completion, with 3 percent of pipe installation work remaining, along with pump station plumbing and pipeline testing work remaining to be performed. Due to construction and weather delays beyond the control of the City, the remaining work is not anticipated to be completed until later this year.

On November 25, 2002, the City of Santa Rosa requested an extension of CDO No. 2000-04. Staff proposes to extend the completion compliance date for completion of the Geysers Recharge project to December 31, 2003.

PRELIMINARY STAFF

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2003-0025 as proposed.